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The following documents relate to applicants' corresponding International PCT Patent Application No. PCT/FR00/01603, filed June 9, 2000, International Publication No. WO 00/76562 A1, published December 21, 2000, are enclosed for the consideration of the U.S. Patent Examiner.

1. International PCT Patent Application No. PCT/FR00/01603, filed June 9, 2000, International Publication No. WO 00/76562 A1, published December 21, 2000 (English Translation).
2. PCT International Search Report for International PCT Patent Application No. PCT/FR00/01603, filed June 9, 2000, International Publication No. WO 00/76562 A1, published December 21, 2000.
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The patents and published application listed below were cited as references in the International Search Report of applicants' corresponding International PCT Patent Application No. PCT/FR00/01603, filed June 9, 2000, International Publication No. WO 00/76562 A1, published December 21, 2000. The patents and published patent applications listed below generally relate to subject matter of the invention, but do not fairly teach or suggest the claimed Biomaterial Based On An Insolubilized Dextran Derivative And Growth Factor in the above-identified U.S. Patent Application. Copies of the listed patents, published patent applications and publications below are enclosed for consideration by the Examiner.

1. International Application No. PCT/US89/02575, filed June 13, 1989, International Publication No. WO 89/12464, published December 28, 1989, of Massachusetts Institute Of Technology, pertains to Controlled Release Systems Containing Heparin And Growth Factors.

2. International Application No. PCT/FR90/00164, filed March 9, 1990, International Publication No. WO 90/10456, published September 20, 1990, of Therapeutiques Substitutives, pertains to Fibroblast Growth Factor (FGF)-Based Stabilized Compositions.

3. International Application No. PCT/FR95/00400, filed March 29, 1995, International Publication No. WO 95/26738, published October 12, 1995, of Universite Paris Val De Marne, pertains to Use Of Growth Factor Protecting Polymers For Treating Inflammation.

4. International Application No. PCT/US98/13997, filed July 1, 1998, International Publication No. WO 99/01143, published January 14, 1999, of Orquest, Inc., pertains to a Cross-Linked Polysaccharide Drug Carrier.

5. French Application No. 89 03086, filed March 9, 1989, French Publication No. FR 2 644 066 A1, published September 14, 1990, of Therapeutiques Substitutives pertains to compositions.

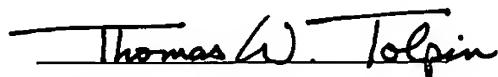
6. French Application No. 97 15702, filed December 11, 1997, French Publication No. FR 2 772 382 A1, published June 18, 1999, of Solutions Societe anonyme pertains to derivatives of dextrane.

7. Abstract: Japanese Application No. 04075920 filed February 28, 1992, Publication No. 05238930 published September 17, 1993 of Eisai Co., Ltd., pertains to a Long-Acting Medicine.

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